NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WAR-PROTON D.C. 80608

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Dear Mr. Witts:

During 1985, the hope freedom and democracy in Nicaragua was kept alive with the help of the National Endowment for the Preservation of Liberty and fine Americans such as you. Because you cared, the spark of liberty still glows in the darkness of Nicaragua.

Without patriots like you, carrying out the President's policy of support for a democratic outcome in Nicaragua would have been even more difficult. Your efforts and those of the National Endowment for the Preservation of Liberty continue to play a crucial role in the democratic drama unfolding in Nicaragua. Your support has been essential to those who struggle against the tyranny and oppression of the totalitarian communist regime in Managua. You have given hope where there would otherwise be despair.

Last year was a challenging time for America and her President. But, we are headed in the right direction. Today, in all of Central America only Nicaragua is not a democracy. You can be proud that you have made a crucial contribution in helping our President in this vital endeavor. In the weeks ahead, we will commence a renewed effort to make our assistance to the Democratic Resistance Forces even more effective. Once again your support will be essential.

All my best for the New Year and God bless you.

Sincerely,

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